

OPINION 1342

DAMALIS PLANICEPS FABRICIUS, 1805 DESIGNATED AS TYPE SPECIES OF *DAMALIS* FABRICIUS, 1805 (INSECTA, DIPTERA)

RULING. — (1) Under the plenary powers, all designations of type species hitherto made for the nominal genus *Damalis* Fabricius, 1805 are hereby set aside and *Damalis planiceps* Fabricius, 1805 is hereby designated as type species of that genus.

(2) The generic name *Damalis* Fabricius, 1805 (gender: masculine), type species by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, *Damalis planiceps* Fabricius, 1805, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2277.

(3) The specific name *planiceps* Fabricius, 1805 as published in the binomen *Damalis planiceps* (specific name of the type species of *Damalis* Fabricius, 1805) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 3000.

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.)2369

An application for the use of the plenary powers to vary the type species of *Damalis* Fabricius, 1805 was first received from Mr K. G. V. Smith (*Department of Entomology, British Museum (Natural History), London*) and Dr M. Chvála (*Charles University, Prague, Czechoslovakia*) on 9 January 1981. It was sent to the printers on 24 February 1981 and published in *Bull. zool. Nom.*, vol. 37, pp. 71–72. Public notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the statutory serials, seven general and nine entomological serials. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 15 January 1985 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (1985)7 for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 39, p. 72. At the close of the voting period on 15 April 1985 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative Votes — twenty-three (23) received in the following order: Melville, Brinck, Holthuis, Savage, Lehtinen, Willink, Sabrosky, Trjapitzin, Hahn, Mroczkowski, Cocks, Starobogatov, Bayer, Alvarado, Corliss, Uéno, Schuster, Kraus, Cogger, Heppell, Bernardi, Dupuis, Ride
Negative Votes — none (0).

Late affirmative votes were returned by Halvorsen and Binder.

The following comments were returned by members of the Commission with their voting papers:

Brinck: 'The addition of an abstract of the application is—I think—very much appreciated by the public. Why not have abstracts constantly?'

Heppell: 'The details of the proposals are not consistent with the abstract. From the latter it is evident that the Commission is requested to validate the type designation of *Damalis planiceps* by Hull, 1962. It is all designations of type species prior to *that* act that should be set aside by the Commission's ruling'.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Damalis Fabricius, 1805, *Systema Antiliatorum*, p. 147
planiceps, *Damalis*, Fabricius, 1805, *ibid.*, p. 148.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (85)7 were cast as set out above, that the proposals contained in that voting paper have been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1342.

R. V. MELVILLE

Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

London

15 May 1985